



The Administrator
Washington, D.C. 20201

Dear Medicare Enrollee:

The Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA) administers the Medicare program. HCFA is cooperating with the National Center for Health Statistics (NCHS) in conducting the National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES). Through this survey, you and other participants will help to design better health programs and to promote good health for everyone.

You were selected by NCHS to participate in this survey. I urge you to take part and join with the more than 130,000 people who have helped us in this valuable project over the past 30 years.

You do not have to participate in this survey. Your decision to participate or not to participate will have no effect on your Medicare benefits. All information you provide is protected by the Privacy Act.

If you have questions about the survey, please feel free to call Dr. Kathryn Porter, Medical Officer, NHANES, toll free, at 1-800-452-6115 (9 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time). Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Nancy-Ann Min DeParle
Administrator